

WENONAH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2012

Rich Dilks called the Wenonah Environmental Commission to order at 7:33 PM in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act at the Community Center.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Rich Dilks (Chair)	X	
Bob Bevilacqua (V. Chair)	X	
Scott Barnes (Sec. / Planning Bd. Rep.)	X	
Bill Klaus	X	
Dave Kreck	X	
Tommy Lombardo (Mayor)	X	
Chris Newman		X

Associate Members Present: Frank Eggert, Chuck Forsman

Minutes of the January 11th meeting were approved. (Motion: Bevilacqua, Second: Kreck, AIF)

BUSINESS

- **Chairman's Report:** Five Mile Hike on 2/4 had a decent turnout. Separate "fast" and "slow" groups covered the hike route.

Stewart Estate grant deadline is in August: should we apply? Two properties were discussed. The Capaldi property (East Cherry Street) is near enough to water, meeting the Stewart criteria; it would be a straightforward land purchase. The Lentz property (West Willow Street) has a house on it, requiring subdivision, which can get complicated. Frank will talk further with Kingsley Lentz. Meanwhile, Dave and Chuck will do preliminary research on both properties.

The Wenonah Library Rain Garden project is supported by the library's board. Size would be 12' x 20' . Next meeting on 2/17 at 5 PM. Construction planned for early May. WEC would be responsible for annual maintenance, mostly picking out weeds. Perhaps schoolchildren could be involved in maintenance as well.

Eldridge Trail project bonds are in progress. Dave believes DEP permits will take 3 to 4 months.

The Spring Work Party will be to place erosion matting at Clay Hill.

On Maple Ridge: Dave finally got the Green Acres application from Mantua for reference purposes. Wenonah's request amount will be \$450,000.

Chain saw blade reimbursement for Bob will be \$225.

- **Public Relations (Scott Barnes):** March is the County's tire amnesty & recycling month. We should collect any tires we know about, such as the one in Monongahela Brook near Woodbury-Glassboro Road. Bob knows of one underneath an Eldridge Trail bridge.

- **Capital Projects (Bob Bevilacqua):** We should look into cutting away a few feet of the bank on Woodbury-Glassboro Road between the Monongahela Brook and Academy Hills for safer walking.
- **Trail Maintenance (Frank Eggert):** There is a blockage in Mantua Creek where we cut the tree for kayakers.

White pine seedlings are available from a new source in North Carolina. Frank recommends buying 150 at \$0.60 each. This purchase in the amount of \$90 was approved. (Motion: Barnes, Second: Bevilacqua, AIF)

- **Council / Legal (Chuck Forsman):** Chuck spotted a Golden Eagle near Moore's Liquor on 1/15.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:30 PM. (Motion: Lombardo, Second: Kreck, AIF)